

**In the
Indiana Supreme Court**

IN THE MATTER OF)	
REQUEST FOR APPROVAL)	
OF LOCAL COURT RULES)	CASE NUMBER
IN PUTNAM COUNTY)	

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT
TO LOCAL RULE AND FINDING GOOD CAUSE
TO DEVIATE FROM THE SCHEDULE
FOR AMENDING LOCAL RULES**

The Judges of the courts of record in Putnam County have decided to amend their local rule on caseload allocation and request Supreme Court approval for the amendment to LR67-TR3-GEN-2 Commencement of action/Assignment of Cases.

The Judges find pursuant to Trial Rule 81(D) that good cause exists to deviate from the schedule established by the Division of State Court Administration for amending local rules.

Accordingly, the Judges of record of Putnam County request approval of the amended local rule to be effective January 1, 2008.

Submitted this 26th day of November 2007.

_____/S/_____
MATTHEW L. HEADLEY
Judge, Putnam Circuit Court

_____/S/_____
ROBERT L. LOWE
Judge, Putnam Superior Court

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED
AMENDMENT TO LOCAL RULE ON CASELOAD ALLOCATION
FOR THE PUTNAM
CIRCUIT AND SUPERIOR COURTS**

Notice is hereby given to the bar and the public that the Putnam Circuit and Superior Courts are adopting an amendment to the local court rule on caseload allocation that, if approved, will be effective January 1, 2008.

A copy of the proposed amendment may be viewed or obtained in the office of the Clerk of Putnam County Circuit Court located at One Courthouse Square, Greencastle, Indiana, 46135. A copy may also be viewed on the Indiana Judicial website at:
<http://www.in.gov/judiciary/putnam/>.

COMMENTS

Comments on the proposed amendments of the Local Court Rules will be received until thirty (30) days from the date of this notice and should be sent to Matthew L. Headley, Judge, Putnam Circuit Court at One Courthouse Square, Greencastle, Indiana, 46135.

EFFECTIVE DATE

The adopted amendment to the Local Rules will not take effect until January 1, 2008, and approved by the Indiana Supreme Court.

Dated this 26th day of November 2007.

_____/S/_____
MATTHEW L. HEADLEY
Judge, Putnam Circuit Court

_____/S/_____
ROBERT L. LOWE
Judge, Putnam Superior Court

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PUTNAM COUNTY LOCAL COURT RULES

Proposed Effective Date: January 1, 2008

LR67-TR3-GEN-2 Commencement of action/Assignment of Cases

Circuit Court

- Civil

- ~~all matters wherein the controversy is in excess of \$10,000.00 or more or when money damages are requested in an unspecified amount~~
- All causes filed as a CC or CT, and all causes filed as a PL wherein the demand is \$10,000.00 or more or when money damages are requested in an unspecified amount
- 50% of Dissolution of Marriage actions
- Mental Health Commitments
- Probate
- Guardianship
- Juvenile
- Department of Child Services
- Protective Orders if a Dissolution or Juvenile matter involving the same parties is pending

- Criminal

- Murder
- Class A Felony
- Class B Felony
- Class C Felony, except those filed under Title 9 of the Indiana Code
- 50% of Class D Felonies filed
- Battery of Child wherein an accompanying CHINS action is filed

Superior Court

- Civil

- All causes filed as a PL ~~all matters~~ wherein the demand ~~controversy~~ is under \$10,000.00
- 50% of Dissolution of Marriage actions
- Small claims
- Rent/eviction
- Protective Orders, except where a Dissolution or juvenile matter is pending in the Putnam Circuit Court
- Mortgage Foreclosure, Quiet Title, Boundary Line Disputes and other matters involving title to real estate
- Actions filed by Jail or Penal institution inmates

- Criminal

- All infractions, ordinance violations, misdemeanors and 50% of Class D Felonies (except battery of a child with an accompanying CHINS action)
- Class C Felonies filed under Title 9